

This is the Community Transportation Association of America's guide to help identify the federal government's investment sources available to help states and communities address their vital transportation needs. We have scoured the entire federal budget in this effort to identify the universe of federal investment opportunities for transportation and mobility partnerships, not just those programs traditionally used to help support community transportation services.

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Methodology

The starting point for this guide was the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. Published twice a year, the Catalog lists every federal grant program and can be found on-line at www.cfda.gov.

To compile the information for this guide, we searched the Catalog on-line, using a variety of search keywords (e.g., transportation, access, support service, development and infrastructure). These searches led to hundreds of leads, which we then examined in greater detail. We looked up information in congressional appropriations and other reports, reviewed past notices of investment availability and other items in the Federal Register, and reviewed information at sponsoring agencies' own web sites to learn more about these programs. Ultimately, we made informed, but subjective, decisions about which programs seemed most pertinent to the provision or furtherance of transportation services.

Those results were used to compile this guide, which lists 61 programs from 13 different federal departments and independent agencies.

federal investment guide

Federally funded programs impact our communities only when they reach their intended audience ... or, rather, when those people who need these services reach them. Transportation is an integral part of social and human service program success, and federal agencies recognize this fact with public and community transportation investment opportunities.



How This Guide Is Organized

On the following pages, we have listed all 61 programs selected for inclusion in this edition of this guide to community transportation funding resources. They are organized under the headings of the federal departments and agencies that administer these programs and are listed with those agencies most involved in direct investment in community and public transportation first, followed by those agencies involved more indirectly. Please note that the investment levels are for the total program, not just for transportation.

This guide provides short narrative descriptions of each program, including federal contact names, addresses, phone numbers and, where possible, web sites and e-mail addresses.

Understanding the Listings

For each program that is listed in this guide, we provide the following information

- Name of the agency administering the program;
- A descriptive name for the program itself (but bear in mind that these programs often go by many different names, especially when they are administered through state and local governments);
- The total investment appropriated to the program in FY 2005; these are program totals, and do not necessarily reflect how much funding the program may have available for transportation or related purposes;
- A letter code for the investment style of the program (explained in greater detail below);
- A star rating code that indicates the relative degree to which the program's funds are used for transportation purposes (also explained below) and by which these listings are organized;
- A short narrative description of the program; and
- Sources for additional information, such as for applications or program guidance.


Please note that the descriptions, codes, and ratings for these programs were developed by the Community Transportation Association of America, and do not represent official statements, interpretations or positions of any agency of the United States Government.


Accessing the Investment and Making it Work – a Key to Funding Styles and Ratings


While we wish this guide could include specific schedules of grant announcements, or even indications of schedules as to when to apply for particular programs' funds, that simply isn't possible, as each one of these 61 programs has its own approach for including transportation partners. However, we have categorized the programs' various investment mechanisms into six funding styles, as explained below:

- A - Most of this program's funds are designated, or earmarked, to specific projects by members of Congress. To pursue funding, contact your Congressional delegation.
- B - The indicated federal agency solicits investment proposals, most likely on an annual, competitive basis. To pursue funding, watch the agency's web site (if listed), or contact the indicated official to learn about funding schedules and procedures.
- C - This program allocates all (or most) of its funds on a formula, or block grant basis to states or other entities, as indicated in its description. While the federal agency may be able to provide general program guidance and information, you must contact the state(or other) administering agency for application instructions, grant schedules, or other details.
- D - To participate in this program, you must contact an existing grantee, and explore possible subcontracts, interagency agreements, or other such partnerships.
- E - This is a program of federally sponsored loans. Contact the indicated federal agency, or a participating intermediary, for information.
- F - There is no straightforward way to categorize this program's investment. Simply contact the indicated person or office to learn more about the program and how it operates.

We also have attempted to indicate the extent to which each of these programs is involved in investing in transportation services. Realizing that such involvement may take many forms, ranging from grants for the construction of buildings and facilities to reimbursements to individuals for their own transportation services, we have summarized this involvement into a one- to three-bus rating, described as follows:

 This program's grants directly address or support community and public transportation services.

 This program's funds have been used, in at least a few instances, to support community transportation activities.

 This program could support community transportation activities, but doesn't have a documented history of such support.

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This program's grants directly address or support community transportation services.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

www.dot.gov

Federal Transit Administration
www.fta.dot.gov

Job Access and Reverse Commute Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$109.4 million

Investment Style: A

Rating: ☎ ☎ ☎

The Job Access and Reverse Commute grant program promotes transportation services in urban, suburban and rural areas that assist welfare recipients and low income individuals in accessing employment opportunities. Discretionary grants are awarded to state and local units of government and private nonprofit entities, and may be used for transit operating and capital assistance. Most of these projects are specified by members of Congress. For more information, contact your FTA regional office, or Sue Masselink, Office of Program Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. Fax: 202.366.7951. E-mail: Sue.masselink@fta.dot.gov. Web: www.fta.dot.gov/

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Metropolitan Transit Planning Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$59.9 million

Investment Style: D

Rating: ☎ ☎ ☎

This is a program of formula funding for the transportation planning activities

of metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs). Funds are allocated to each MPO on a formula basis. For more information, contact your local MPO, state transit administering agency, or Charles Goodman, Chief, Metropolitan Planning Division, Office of Planning, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.6385. Fax: 202.493.2478. Web: www.fta.dot.gov

National Transit Planning and Research

FY 2005 Investment: \$37.2 million

Investment Style: F

Rating: ☎ ☎ ☎

This is a program of public transportation research, demonstration and special projects that are in the national interest, such as advanced technology, Clean Air Act compliance, transit finance initiatives, transit accessibility and human resource development. Some of these activities are specified by members of Congress; others are selected at the discre-

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Nonurbanized Area Formula Transit Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$250.9 million

Investment Style: C

Rating:   

Commonly known by its authorizing legislation as Section 5311, this is a program of formula funding to states for the purpose of supporting public transportation in areas with populations of less than 50,000. Funds may be used to support administrative, capital or operating costs of local transportation providers. States are to spend 15 percent of their funding allocation on rural intercity bus needs, unless their governor certifies these needs already are adequately met. States may distribute funding to public, private non-profit or tribal organizations. In addition to this program, the Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP) provides \$5.3 million in formula funding to states for rural transit training and technical assistance. For more information, contact your state transit agency, or Lorna Wilson, Office of Program Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. Fax: 202.366.7951. E-mail: lorna.wilson@fta.dot.gov. Web: www.fta.dot.gov




Special Note: In partnership with FTA, the Community

Transportation Association, together with the American Public Works Association, provides a variety of information and technical assistance to assist providers of public transportation in rural areas, under the auspices of the RTAP National Program. For information, contact Charlie Dickson, Community Transportation Association of America, 1341 G Street N.W., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; Tel: 202.247.8356. Fax: 202.737.9197. E-mail: dickson@ctaa.org. Web: www.ctaa.org/ntrc/rtap, or Beth Denniston, American Public Works Association (1401 K Street N.W., 11th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; Tel: 202.408.9541 ext. 3011. Fax: 202.408.9542. E-mail: bdenniston@apwa.net. Web: www.nationalrtap.org.

Over-the-Road Bus Accessibility Grant Program

FY 2005 Investment: \$6.9 million

Investment Style: B

Rating:   

This is a program of grants to help private operators of over-the-road buses finance a portion of their costs in complying with unique aspects of the Americans with Disabilities Act that pertain to these vehicles and their operations. All of these funds are awarded through annual competitive grants, a portion of which go to operators of scheduled intercity bus services, and the remainder of which go to charter, tour and other non-scheduled over-the-road bus operators. For more information, contact Sue Masselink, Office of Programs Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., TPM-10, Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. Fax: 202.366.7951. E-mail: sue.masselink@fta.dot.gov. Web: www.fta.dot.gov/office/prgmmgmt/index.html

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Statewide Transit Planning and Research

FY 2005 Investment: \$12.5 million

Investment Style: D




Rating:   

This program provides funding to states to carry out statewide public transportation planning, research, demonstration and technical assistance activities. Each state receives funds on a formula basis. For more information, contact your state transit administering agency, or the Office of Planning, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., TPL-12, Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.1626. Fax: 202.493.2478. Web: www.fta.dot.gov

Transit Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities

FY 2005 Investment: \$94.5 million

Investment Style: C




Rating:   

Known by its authorizing legislation as Section 5310, this program provides formula funding to states for the purpose of assisting private nonprofit groups and certain public bodies in meeting the transportation needs of elders and persons with disabilities. Funds may be used only for capital expenses or purchase-of-service agreements. States receive these funds on a formula basis. For more information, contact your state transit agency, or Sue Masselink, Office of Programs Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., TPM-10, Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. Fax: 202.366.7951. E-mail: sue.masselink@fta.dot.gov. Web: www.fta.dot.gov

Transit Major Capital Grant Program

FY 2005 Investment: \$3.4 billion

Investment Style: A




Rating:   

Commonly known by its authorizing legislation as Section 5309, this program provides capital assistance for new rail and other fixed guideway systems, modernization of rail and other fixed guideway systems and for new and replacement buses and facilities. Only public bodies are eligible applicants. Note that all funds under this program are allocated to projects specified by members of Congress. For more information, contact your FTA regional office, or Susan Schruth, Deputy Associate Administrator for Program Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. Fax: 202.366.7951. Web: www.fta.dot.gov

Urbanized Area Formula Transit Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$3.6 billion

Investment Style: C

Rating:   

Commonly known by its authorizing legislation as Section 5307, this program provides formula funding to urbanized areas with a population greater than 50,000. In areas of with populations greater than 200,000, funds are used to support transit capital expenses, although up to 10 percent of an urbanized area's formula funding allocation may be




used to assist with the operating costs of ADA-mandated complementary paratransit services. One percent of funding allocations must be spent on transit-related safety and security measures, and one percent must also be spent on transit enhancements. Designated public bodies in these larger urbanized areas receive their funding allocations directly from the Federal Transit Administration. In urbanized areas with populations between 50,000 and 200,000, funds are used to support transit capital and operating expenses. Formula funding allocations for these smaller urbanized areas are made either directly to designated recipients in urbanized areas, or to state transit administering agencies, who then disburse funds to local transit providers, as determined by the state's governor. For more information, contact your state transit agency, FTA regional office, or Ken Johnson, Program Manager, Office of Program Management, Federal Transit Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.2053. E-mail: ken.johnson@fta.dot.gov. Web: www.fta.dot.gov

Federal Highway Administration www.fhwa.dot.gov

Federal-Aid Highway Program

FY 2005 Investment Limitation: \$34.7 billion




Investment Style: C

Rating:   

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) reimburses states for 80 percent (or more) of the expenses they incur in highway construction and related transportation projects. Several of the categories of federal highway funding also may be used in support of transit projects. All spending is made according to state and metropolitan area transportation plans. The major elements of the federal highway funding program are:

- National Highway System (\$7.4 billion in FY 2005), at least half of which states may transfer to other highway programs, including those available for transit projects;
- Interstate Highway Maintenance (\$6.0 billion);
- Surface Transportation Program (\$8.6 billion), in which states may use funds for transit capital projects with little restriction; states also must use 10 percent of their "STP" funds for transportation enhancements (e.g., pedestrian and bicycle access, preservation, beautification), which could include aspects of transit facilities;
- Highway Bridges (\$5.2 billion); and
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (\$2.1 billion), in which funds must be used for projects that help clean air "non-attainment" areas achieve air quality improvements, historically, half of these "CMAQ" funds have been used for bus purchases and various other public transportation investments; under limited circumstances, CMAQ funds may be used to support the operating costs of public transportation.




For information, contact Cynthia Burbank, Planning and Environment Program Manager, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.0116. Fax: 202.366.3043. E-mail: cynthia.burbank@fhwa.dot.gov.

Federal Lands Highway Program
FY 2005 Investment: \$750 million
Investment Style: F
Rating:   




This is a program of coordinated funding for public roads and transit facilities serving Federal and Indian lands. It has five components, all of which - despite the "roads" terminology — allow their funds to be used for transit capital projects (e.g., vehicles, buildings and other facilities):

- Indian Reservation Roads
- National Park Service Roads and Parkways
- Forest Service Highways
- Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Roads
- Other Federal Public Lands Highways




For information, contact Arthur Hamilton, Federal Lands Highway Program Manager, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.9494. Web: www.fhwa.dot.gov/flh/index.htm.

Intelligent Transportation Systems Program
FY 2005 Investment: \$232.0 million
Investment Style: B
Rating:   

The Transportation Department's "ITS" activities aim to use technological solutions for addressing transportation safety, congestion, and operational efficiencies in both highway and transit modes. Funds are available for ITS research and development, and to assist in the actual deployment of ITS strategies. In addition to these core ITS programs, other federal transportation funding programs (specifically including, STP, NHS, CMAQ, and transit grants) may be used for ITS purposes. For information, contact Jeffrey F Paniati, Associate Administrator, Office of Operations, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh St. S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.0408. Fax: 202.366.3302. E-mail: jeff.paniati@fhwa.dot.gov. Web: www.its.dot.gov.

National Corridor Planning and Development and Coordinated Border Infrastructure Programs
FY 2005 Investment: \$140.0 million
Investment Style: B
Rating:   




Colloquially known as "Corridors and Borders," this program provides competitive grants to states and public entities for transportation improvements - both highway- and transit-related - along designated international trade corridors and at international border crossings. For information, contact Martin Weiss, Intermodal and Statewide Programs Division, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh St. S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.5010. Web: www.fhwa.dot.gov/hep10/corbor/index.html.

Transportation and Community and System Preservation Program
FY 2005 Investment: \$25.0 million
Investment Style: A
Rating:   

Known as TCSP, this is a program of discretionary grants to state and local governments that aims to: improve transportation system efficiency, reduce environmental impacts of transportation activities, reduce the need for more expensive transportation infrastructure, ensure efficient access to jobs and commerce, and encourage private sector land use development patterns. Its funds have supported dozens of transit projects across the country. In recent years, most, but not all, TCSP projects have been specified by members of Congress. For information, contact Felicia Young, Office of Human Environment, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh St. S.W., Washington, DC 20590. Tel: 202.366.1263. Fax: 202.366.3409. E-mail: felicia.young@fhwa.dot.gov. Web: www.fhwa.dot.gov/tcsp/index.html.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

www.ed.gov

Vocational Rehabilitation Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$2.6 billion
Investment Style: C
Rating:   




Vocational rehabilitation funds are distributed to state rehabilitation agencies on a formula basis to provide a full range of rehabilitative services. Funds may be used for transportation to these services. For more information, contact your state vocational rehabilitation agency, or Beverly Stafford, Program Administration Division, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Dept. of Education, 330 C Street, S.W., Room 3028, Washington, DC 20202. Tel: 202.205.9406. Fax: 202.205.9874. Web: www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.html

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

www.hhs.gov

Administration on Aging

www.aoa.gov

Supportive Services and Senior Centers
FY 2005 Investment: \$354.0 million
Investment Style: C
Rating:   




Through this program, authorized under Title III-B of the Older Americans Act, funds are awarded by formula to state units on aging for the purpose of providing supportive services to older persons, including the operation of multi-purpose senior centers. In turn, state units award funds to area agencies on aging, most of whom use a portion of their funding allocations to help meet the transportation needs of older persons. For information, contact your state or area agency on aging, or Edwin Walker, Deputy Assistant

Secretary for Policy and Programs, Administration on Aging, HHS, 330 Independence Ave. S.W., Washington, DC 20201. Tel: 202.619.0724. Fax: 202.357.3556. E-mail: edwin.walker@aoa.gov. Web: www.aoa.gov.

Programs for American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian Elders

FY 2005 Investment: \$26.0 million

Investment Style: D

Rating:   

Authorized by Title VI of the Older Americans Act, this program supports nutrition, information and referral, multi-purpose senior centers and other supportive services for American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian elders. Transportation is among the supportive services provided through this program. Federally recognized tribes, Alaska native corporations and Native Hawaiian organizations are the only eligible grant recipients. For information, contact M. Yvonne Jackson, Director of American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian Programs, Administration on Aging, HHS, 330 Independence Ave. S.W., Room 4743, Washington, DC 20201. Tel: 202.357.3501. Fax: 202.357.3560. E-mail: yvonne.jackson@aoa.gov. Web: www.aoa.gov.

Administration for Children and Families **www.acf.hhs.gov**

Head Start

FY 2005 Investment: \$6.9 billion

Investment Style: D

Rating:   

Head Start is a program of comprehensive services for economically disadvantaged preschool children. Funds are distributed to tribes and local public and nonprofit agencies to provide child development and education services, as well as supportive services such as transportation. Head Start funds are used to provide transportation services, acquire vehicles and provide technical assistance to local Head Start centers. For more information, contact Windy Hill, Associate Commissioner, Head Start Bureau, Administration for Children and Families, HHS, 330 C Street, S.W., Room 2018-C, Washington, DC 20201. Tel: 202.205.8569. Fax: 202.260.9336. E-mail: whill@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

FY 2005 Investment: \$16.5 billion

Investment Style: C

Rating:   

States receive these formula grants, known as TANF, to provide cash assistance, work opportunities, and necessary support services for needy families with children. States may choose to spend some of their TANF funds on transportation and related services needed by program beneficiaries. For more information, contact your state TANF administering agency, or Andrew Bush, Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, HHS,




370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20447. Tel: 202.4015138. Fax: 202.205.5887. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services **www.cms.hhs.gov**

Medicaid

Estimated FY 2005 Investment: \$177.6 billion (total program investment)

Investment Style: C

Rating:   

Medicaid is a state-federal partnership that ensures medical assistance to qualified low-income persons and persons with disabilities. States are mandated to provide certain categories of health care, and some chose to expand these benefits as appropriate for their beneficiary population. There is a federal mandate for states to arrange the provision of transportation when necessary for accessing health care, but each state may set their own guidelines, payment mechanisms, and participation guidelines for these transportation services. In addition, the 1999 Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act expanded the scope of Medicaid to provide a safety net of continued health coverage and related services for qualified persons with disabilities who are entering the workforce. For more information, contact your state medical assistance agency, or Dennis Smith, Director of Medicaid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS, 7500 Security Blvd., Room C5-22-23, Baltimore, MD 21244. Tel: 410.786.3870. E-mail: dsmith@cms.hhs.gov. Web: www.cms.hhs.gov/Medicaid



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR **www.dol.gov**

Employment and Training Administration **www.doleta.gov**

Senior Community Service Employment Program

FY 2005 Investment: \$440.2 million

Investment Style: B

Rating:   

This program, authorized by Title V of the Older Americans Act, provides formula grants to states, and grants to national nonprofit organizations, for subsidized employment and related services for low-income elders. Transportation is among the services provided through this program. For more information, contact your state or area agency on aging, or Ria Moore-Benedict, Division of Older Worker Programs, Employment and Training Administration, Dept. of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room N-5306, Washington, DC 20210. Tel: 202.693.3842. Fax: 202.693.3817. Web: http://wdsc.doleta.gov/seniors.

Workforce Investment Act Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$5.4 billion

Investment Style: C

Rating:   

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) provides funding to state and local workforce development agencies for a variety of youth, adult and dislocated worker employment and training services. These funds may be used to help provide transportation to training programs for program participants. State employment and training agencies receive most WIA funds, which then are passed on to local workforce development boards, who allocate program resources according to locally developed plans. The major categories of WIA funding are:

- Adult employment and training (approx. \$898 million in FY 2005)
- Youth employment and training (\$994.2 million)
- Dislocated worker job training (\$1.5 billion)
- Native American employment and training (\$54.7 million)
- Migrant and seasonal farmworker training and employment services (\$77.8 million)
- Job Corps (\$1.6 billion)

WIA-funded activities primarily are designed by local workforce development boards, and carried out through a network of One-Stop centers, which coordinate delivery of WIA activities, along with federal and state employment services, unemployment insurance benefits, welfare-to-work activities, Trade Adjustment Assistance to certain categories of dislocated workers, veterans' employment and training, seniors' community service employment, and workforce activities of HUD grantees and Community Service Block Grant recipients.

For more information, contact your local workforce development board, state employment and training agency, or Emily Stover DeRocco, Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Dept. of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-2307, Washington, DC 20210. Tel: 202.693.2700. Fax: 202.693.2725. Web: www.doleta.gov.

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TWO-BUS SOURCES

This program's funds have been used, in at least a few instances directly and indirectly, to support community transportation activities.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

www.usda.gov



Rural Business-Cooperative Service
Rural Housing Service
Rural Utilities Service
www.ruraldev.usda.gov

Under this umbrella of Rural Development, the Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) carries out its mission of improving the economy and quality of life throughout rural America. This area of USDA has numerous financial assistance programs to support public facilities and services and economic development activities through grants, loans and technical assistance. Most of these programs are administered through USDA-designated state offices of rural development, but information, technical assistance, and some financial assistance programs are managed directly by USDA's headquarters staff in Washington, D.C. USDA also designates and supports rural Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities.

Rural Community Advancement Program (RCAP)

FY 2005 Investment: \$716.0 million

Investment Style: C

Rating:  



Among the grant and loan activities funded through this program are:

- Rural business development loans and grants (including Rural Business Enterprise Grants to local governments, private non-profits and tribal governments to facilitate business development; and Rural Business Opportunity Grants to local governments, private non-profits, business cooperatives and tribal governments for economic development planning, training and technical assistance) and
- Housing and community facilities loans and grants (including Community Facilities loans, loan guarantees, and grants to public entities, private non-profits and tribal governments for the development of health care, public safety and other public facilities, which can include transportation facilities)

Note that within all the RCAP activities, FY 2005 funds are set aside to meet the particular needs of tribal communities (\$25.0 million), the "Mississippi Delta" region (\$1.0 million), rural Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities and Rural Economic Area Partnership (REAP) Zones (\$22.2 million) and rural areas of severe economic distress (\$21.0 million). Transportation activities within these set-aside priority areas may be able to share in the designated funding.

For information, contact your state's office of rural development, or the office of Gilbert Gonzalez, Deputy Under Secretary for Rural Development, USDA, 14th and Independence Avenue, S.W., Mail Stop 0107, Washington, DC 20250. Tel: 202.720.4581. Web: www.rurdev.usda.gov.



Special Note: In partnership with USDA, the Community Transportation Association provides technical assistance to aid in the development of public and community transportation programs in rural communities and for federally recognized Indian tribal governments. For information, contact Charles Rutkowski, Community Transportation Association of America, 1341 G Street N.W., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; Tel: 202.299.6593. Fax: 202.737.9197. E-mail: rutkowski@ctaa.org.

Rural Development Loan Fund
FY 2005 Lending Authority: \$34.2 million
Investment Style: E
Rating:  

These loans finance business activities in rural communities and towns with a population of less than 25,000. Transportation facilities and other community development projects are among the eligible uses of borrowed funds. Some loans are made to direct borrowers; others are awarded to national and local nonprofit intermediaries. These intermediaries then make and service loans to individual borrowers. Note that lending authority has been set aside for (1) tribally sponsored projects, (2) the Mississippi Delta region, and (3) rural Empowerment Zones, Enterprise Communities and REAP Zones. For information on this program, contact Bruce Robinson, Director, Specialty Lenders Division, Rural Business — Cooperative Service, USDA, 14th and Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 2247-S, Washington, DC 20250. Tel: 202.720.1400. Fax: 202.690.4737. E-mail: bruce.robinson@usda.gov. Web: www.rurdev.usda.gov.

Special Note: As an intermediary in this program, the Community Transportation Association of America manages the Community Transportation Development Fund, through which loans are available to assist rural communities in improving or expanding local transit services, building facilities and promoting economic development. For information, contact Patrick Kellogg, AICP, Community Transportation Association of America, 1341 G Street N.W., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; Tel: 202.415.9682. Fax: 202.737.9197. E-mail: kellogg@ctaa.org.

Food and Nutrition Service **www.fns.usda.gov**



Food Stamps
Estimated FY 2005 Investment: \$35.2 billion
Investment Style: F
Rating:  

Although the overwhelming majority of Food Stamp funds are spent on providing direct nutritional assistance to qualifying low-income individuals and families, there are some elements of this program, such as its \$25 million annual program of employment and training services for Food Stamp recipients, that allow funds to be spent on transportation services. For more information, contact Susan Grossman, Deputy Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302. Tel: 703.305.2026. Web: www.fns.usda.gov/fsp

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Economic Development Administration **www.doc.gov/eda**



Economic Development Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$257.4 million
Investment Style: D
Rating:  

Grants support capital facilities in economically distressed areas, including transportation facilities and infrastructure improvements. Funds also are available for planning and adjustment assistance in communities experiencing severe economic deterioration. Public bodies, private nonprofit organizations and Indian tribes are eligible applicants. Most of these funds are awarded to existing state and local economic development agencies, who in turn may work with local partners in the planning and provision of transportation services. For information, contact David Sampson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Economic Development Administration, Dept. of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue N.W., Office 7800, Washington, DC 20230. Tel: 202.482.5081. Fax: 202.273.4781. E-mail: dsampson@doc.gov. Web: www.doc.gov/eda

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Elementary and Secondary Education **www.ed.gov/programs/21stcclc/index.html**

21st Century Community Learning Centers
FY 2005 Investment: \$999.1 million
Investment Style: C
Rating:  



This is a program of formula-based grants to states for after-school tutorial services and academic enrichment activities for students in rural, inner-city and low-performing schools, as well as youth development activities, drug and violence prevention programs, technology education programs, art, music and recreation programs, counseling and character education in these after-school settings. To the extent necessary for students to access these programs, transportation services may be provided, primarily but not necessarily exclusively in school buses. For more information, contact Joseph Conaty, Director, Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Dept. of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202. Tel: 202.260.0826. Fax: 202.260.7764. Web: www.ed.gov/programs/21stcclc/index.html.

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services **www.ed.gov**

Independent Living Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$99.0 million

Investment Style: D

Rating:  

Through a combination of formula-based grants to states' independent living councils grants to individual centers for independent living and grants to states for older persons who are blind persons with disabilities receive training, counseling, advocacy and supportive services that enable them to be more fully integrated into the mainstream of American society. Transportation services are provided through this program. For more information, contact James Billy, Independent Living Branch Chief, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Dept. of Education, 330 C Street, S.W., Room 3326, Washington, DC 20202. Tel: 202.205.9362. Fax: 202.260.0753. E-mail: james.billy@ed.gov. Web: www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.htm

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



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***Special Note:** In partnership with the Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Community Transportation Association provides a variety of information and technical assistance to assist transportation providers and stakeholders in making more effective use of HHS-related transportation activities, especially with regard to coordination of federal transportation programs and the provision of transportation services that are accessible to persons with disabilities. This program, the Community Transportation Assistance Project (CTAP), also sponsored the development of this guide. For information, contact Charles Dickson, Community Transportation Association of America, 1341 G Street N.W., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; Tel: 202.247.8356. Fax: 202.737.9197. E-mail: dickson@ctaa.org. Web: www.ctaa.org/ntrc/ctap.*

Training, Research and Discretionary Projects and Programs for the Elderly

FY 2005 Investment: \$43.6 million

Investment Style: F

Rating:  



Known by its authorizing legislation as Title IV, this program supports research and demonstration programs for better addressing the circumstances of older people. Title IV grants frequently have been used to demonstrate innovative solutions for elders' transportation needs. Some projects are designated by members of Congress; others are selected at the discretion of the Administration on Aging. For information, contact Edwin Walker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Programs, Administration on Aging, HHS, 330 Independence Ave. S.W., Washington, DC 20201. Tel: 202.619.0724. Fax: 202.357.3556. E-mail: edwin.walker@aoa.gov. Web: www.aoa.gov.

Administration for Children and Families
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Community Services Block Grant Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$641.9 million

Investment Style: D



Rating:  

Under these programs, states and Indian tribes receive funding to provide a broad range of social services for low-income persons. Most of the funds in this set of programs are awarded as formula-based block grants to states, which pass them on to local community action programs. An important component of these community services programs is the Job Opportunities for Low-income Individuals (JOLI) program, through which the federal Office of Community Services awards discretionary grants to local non-profits who are creating employment and business opportunities for welfare recipients and other low-income individuals. Transportation services are commonly provided in both the block grant and JOLI programs. For information, contact your state or local community action agency, or Clarence Carter, Director, Office of Community Services, HHS, 370 L'Enfant Promenade S.W., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20447. Tel: 202.401.9333. Fax: 202.401.4694. E-mail: clcarter@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs.

Developmental Disabilities Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$96.8 million

Investment Style: C



Rating:  

The Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) provides formula-based grants to state agencies serving the developmentally disabled, and also awards discretionary grants for demonstrations and special projects that address the unique needs of persons with developmental disabilities. Among the activities supported through these various grants are employment-, training- and housing-related services. Transportation often figures into ADD-funded projects and services. For information, contact your state Development Disabilities Planning Council, or Patricia Morrissey, Commissioner, Administration on Developmental Disabilities, Administration for Children and Families, HHS, 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 300-F, Washington, DC 20201. Tel: 202.690.5962. Fax: 202.690.6904. E-mail: pmorrissey@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/add.

Native American Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$45.2 million

Investment Style: D



Rating:  

Through this set of programs, funds are provided to promote the social and economic development of Native American communities. Transportation services or projects may be funded if they are part of a tribal social or economic development program. Tribal entities are the only eligible applicants. For information, contact Quanah Crossland Stamps, Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans, HHS, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., 8th Floor West, Washington, DC 20447-0002. Tel: 202.690.7776. Fax: 202.690.7441. E-mail: anacommissioner@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana.

Refugee and Entrant Assistance Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$488.3 million

Investment Style: C



Rating:  

This is a family of programs that distribute funds on reimbursement, formula and discretionary bases for cash, medical assistance and social services to refugees. A leading program goal is to help refugees quickly achieve economic self-sufficiency. Transportation is supported when provided as a component of these services. For information, contact your state refugee assistance agency, or Van Hanh Nguyen, Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, HHS, 370 L'Enfant Promenade S.W., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20447. Tel: 202.401.9246. Fax: 202.401.0981. E-mail: nvhanh@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr.

Social Services Block Grants

FY 2005 Investment: \$1.7 billion

Investment Style: C

Rating:  



Also known as Title XX, this program provides formula funds to state welfare agencies for the provision of social services, often including transportation, that help individuals reduce welfare dependency, achieve economic self-sufficiency, or forestall unnecessary use of institutional care. Many states rely upon this program to fill programmatic gaps that cannot be addressed through TANF (see below). For information, contact your state family assistance or public welfare agency, or Clarence Carter, Director, Office of Community Services, HHS, 370 L'Enfant Promenade S.W., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20447. Tel: 202.401.9333. Fax: 202.401.4694. E-mail: clcarter@acf.hhs.gov. Web: www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services www.cms.hhs.gov

State Children's Health Insurance Program

FY 2005 Investment: \$4.1 billion

Investment Style: C

Rating:  

States receive formula-based funds under this program to initiate and expand child health assistance for uninsured, low-income children. States may accomplish this goal either by providing health insurance benefits to eligible children, or by expanding the coverage of their Medicaid program (see above) to include these children under those benefits. In either case, states may choose to include transportation as a covered benefit. For more information, contact your state medical assistance agency, or Dennis Smith, Director of Medicaid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HHS, 7500 Security Blvd., Room C5-22-23, Baltimore, MD 21244. Tel: 410.786.3870. E-mail: dsmith@cms.hhs.gov. Web: www.cms.hhs.gov/schip



HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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Community Health Centers

FY 2005 Investment: \$1.7 billion

Investment Style: D



Rating:  

Federal funds are allocated to community-based health care centers in medically underserved areas, migrant and seasonal farmworker communities, public housing sites, and at locations providing medical care to homeless persons. Funds may be used to provide transportation services as necessary for the delivery of primary health care services. A few community health centers provide transportation services directly, and some others contract with other providers to meet their transportation needs. For more information, contact Dr. Sam Shekar, Associate Administrator, Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS, 4350 East-West Hwy., 11th Floor, Bethesda, MD 20814. Tel: 301.594.4110. Fax: 301.594.4072. Web: bphc.hrsa.gov.

Healthy Start Initiative

FY 2005 Investment: \$102.0 million

Investment Style: D



Rating:  

This initiative supports a community-oriented approach to reducing infant mortality. A total of 94 Healthy Start communities have been designated to demonstrate this program. Transportation services that help link pregnant women and new mothers to necessary health care and related services are provided in some of the initiative's locations. If you are in a designated Healthy Start community, contact the local partner for more information, or Maribeth Badura, Acting, Division of Perinatal Systems and Women's Health, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 18-0s, Rockville, MD 20857. Tel: 301.443.2170. Fax: 301.443.1797. E-mail: mbadura@hrsa.gov. Web: mchb.hrsa.gov.

HIV Care Grants



FY 2005 Investment: \$2.0 billion

Investment Style: C



Rating:  

Authorized under the Ryan White AIDS CARE Act, these comprise a set of programs that help communities provide emergency assistance, comprehensive HIV/AIDS care, early intervention, dental services, education and outreach, training, and pediatric services to children with HIV/AIDS. Some of these funds are awarded on a formula basis to state public health agencies, others are awarded directly to health agencies in communities disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS, and some funds are available for competitive, discretionary grants. In many communities, health agencies use a small portion of these funds to contract for, or reimburse, necessary transportation services. For more information, contact your state or local public health agency, or Deborah



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Maternal and Child Services Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$724.0 million
Investment Style: C
Rating:  

Most of these funds are distributed to states as formula-based block grants to help provide health services to mothers, infants and children. There are particular emphases on caring for children with special health care needs and children in low-income families. A portion of these funds is reserved for competitively awarded federal grants in support of special projects of regional and national significance. In both the block grants and special projects, funds may be used to support transportation that is part of these grants' services. For more information, contact your state health agency, or Dr. Peter van Dyck, Associate Administrator, Bureau of Maternal and Child Health, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 18-05, Rockville, MD 20857. Tel: 301.443.2170. Fax: 301.443.1797. E-mail: pvandyck@hrsa.gov. Web: www.mchb.hrsa.gov.

Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$39.5 million
Investment Style: B
Rating:  



Through this initiative, state offices of rural health receive funds for discretionary grants to rural hospitals that then form integrated networks to address community health needs, such as the formation of rural health maintenance organizations, co-located health and social services, telemedicine, or transportation services as needed for rural residents' health care. For more information, contact your state office of rural health, or Dr. Marcia Brand, Director, Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 9A-55, Rockville, MD 20857. Tel: 301.443.0835. Fax: 301.443.2803. E-mail: mbrand@hrsa.gov. Web: ruralhealth.hrsa.gov.

Rural Health Outreach Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$39.0 million
Investment Style: B
Rating:  

Funds are provided for demonstration grants to expand or enhance the availability of health services in rural areas. Some grant funds also are used for applied research in rural health care topics. Transportation services that improve the availability of rural health care may be supported by this program's demonstration grants. For more information, contact your state office of rural health, or Marcia Brand, Director, Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 9A-55, Rockville, MD 20857. Tel: 301.443.0835. Fax: 301.443.2803. E-mail: mbrand@hrsa.gov. Web: ruralhealth.hrsa.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

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Disaster Assistance
Estimated FY 2005 Investment: \$2.0 billion
Investment Style: F
Rating:  

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides temporary disaster relief in presidentially-declared disaster areas and provides assistance for the repair, restoration or replacement of equipment and facilities damaged in these disasters. Funds are used to provide temporary public transportation services in disaster areas, as well as for the replacement of highway and transit vehicles and facilities damaged or destroyed in a disaster. Disaster assistance funding is used to reimburse the losses incurred by private individuals and businesses, and for costs and losses borne by state, local and tribal governments. For information, contact Department of Homeland Security, 500 C Street, S.W., Room 706, Washington, DC 20472. Tel: 202.646.3692. Fax: 202.646.4060.



DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

www.hud.gov

Office of Community Planning & Development
www.hud.gov/offices/cpd

Brownfields Economic Development Initiative
FY 2005 Investment: \$24.0 million
Investment Style: D
Rating:  

Brownfields are abandoned or under-used properties whose development or improvement is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination. This program, together with various tax benefits and assistance from other federal agencies, helps communities develop and enhance their brownfield sites. Numerous current and former transportation facilities across the country have been developed or improved through this program. The indicated funds in HUD's budget are awarded only to CDBG-receiving state and local public agencies. Additional Brownfields funding is available through the Environmental Protection Agency (see separate listing below). For more information, contact Donald Mains, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7128, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.708.4091. Fax: 202.708.7543. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/bedi/index.cfm.

Community Development Block Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$4.7 billion
Investment Style: C
Rating:  

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program supports a wide variety of community and economic



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development activities, with priorities determined at the local level. Some communities have used CDBG funds to assist in the construction of transportation facilities or for operating expenses and vehicle acquisition for community transportation services. Most CDBG funds are distributed on a formula basis to entitled cities, states and urban counties. In addition, the following CDBG initiatives were funded for FY 2004: Economic Development Initiative (\$278 million in Congressionally designated community development projects, including numerous transit facilities) and Indian CDBG's to tribal governments (\$72.0 million). For information, contact your local community development agency, state CDBG administering agency, or Richard Kennedy, Director of Block Grant Assistance, Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7286, Washington, DC 20410; Tel: 202.708.3587. Fax: 202.401.2044. E-mail: richard_kennedy@hud.gov. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/index.cfm

Office of Public and Indian Housing
www.hud.gov/offices/pih

Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing
FY 2005 Investment: \$144.0 million
Investment Style: C
Rating: 🚗 🚗

Also known as HOPE VI, these grants allow public housing authorities to improve the living environments for the residents of severely distressed public housing through demolition, revitalization or replacement of housing units. This program's funds also may be used to promote sustainable community development and supportive services, including transportation. HOPE VI funds may be used as matching funds for some Federal Transit Administration grant programs. For more information, contact Dominique Blom, Director, Urban revitalization, Office of Public Housing Investments, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 4130, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.401.8812. Fax: 202.401.2320. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/hope6/index.cfm.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Employment Standards Administration
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Black Lung Disability Benefits
FY 2005 Investment: \$1.1 billion
Investment Style: F
Rating: 🚗 🚗

Coal industry workers who have been disabled from pneumoconiosis, or "Black Lung Disease," and the widow(er)s and surviving dependents of these workers, receive monthly cash payments and other benefits from the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund. In addition to the cash payments, which carry no restriction on their use, persons disabled due to pneumoconiosis are reimbursed for their travel to and from necessary medical care; these reimbursements can be for payments to transportation providers. For more information, contact James DeMarce, Coal Mine Workers' Compensation Division Director, Employments Standards Administration, Dept. of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave. N.W., Room C-3520, Washington, DC 20210. Tel: 202.693.0046. Web: www.dol.gov/esa/regs/compliance/owcp/bltable.htm.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Research and Special Programs Administration
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University Transportation Centers Program
Total FY 2005 Funding: \$32.5 million
Investment Style: D
Rating: 🚗 🚗

Funded with a mixture of transit (\$6.0 million) and highway (\$26.5 million) funds, these centers form a network of academic institutions whose mission is to carry out university-based research and technology transfer on all types of transportation issues. Activities include academic and applied research, training and internship programs. For more information, contact Timothy Klein, Associate Administrator for

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Community Development Financial Institutions Fund

FY 2005 Investment: \$55.5 million

Investment Style: E

Rating:  

This fund promotes economic revitalization and community development through investments made by intermediaries such as community development banks, revolving loan managers, and other financial institutions. The focus of these investments is largely to revitalize distressed communities. Transportation projects and activities may be financed through this fund. For information on the fund, contact Jean Morrow, Awards Manager, CDFI Fund, 601 13th St., N.W., Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20005. Tel: 202.622.8662. Fax: 202.662.7754. E-mail: dscruggs@usda.gov. Web: www.cdfifund.gov.

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National Senior Service Corps

FY 2005 Investment: \$215.9 million

Investment Style: D

Rating:  

The National Senior Service Corps provides volunteer and community service opportunities for older persons through three programs: Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions, and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. In each of these, program funds may be used to support the transportation needs of program participants. For more information, contact the local senior volunteer provider (often located in conjunction with senior centers or community services programs), your state community service agency, or Tess Scannell, Deputy Director, National Senior Service Corps, Corporation for National and Community Service, 1201 New York Ave. N.W., Rm. 9201, Washington, DC 20525. Tel: 202.606.5000. Fax: 202.565.2743. Web: www.seniorcorps.org.



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Brownfields Economic Development Initiative

FY 2005 Investment: \$90.0 million

Investment Style: F

Rating:  

Brownfields are abandoned or under-used properties whose development or improvement is complicated by real or perceived environmental contamination. This program, together with various tax benefits and assistance from other federal agencies, helps communities develop and enhance their brownfield sites. Numerous current and former transportation facilities across the country have been developed or improved through this program. In addition to these funds from EPA, the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has funds that are available to CDBG-receiving state and local public agencies (see above). For more information, contact Linda Garczynski, Director of Outreach and Special Projects, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20460. Tel: 202.566.2777. Fax: 202.566.2757. E-mail: garczynski.linda@epa.gov. Web: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

 ONE-BUS SOURCES 

This program could support community transportation activities, but doesn't have a direct, documented history of such support.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Office of Postsecondary Education

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Federal TRIO Programs

FY 2005 Investment: \$843.3 million

Investment Style: D


Rating: 

TRIO is a program of outreach and support targeted to help disadvantaged students progress from middle school to college. TRIO's Student Support Services program provides supportive services to disadvantaged college students, with the goal of helping these students successfully complete their studies. Grants are awarded to institutions of higher education, who then may provide a broad range of supportive services (including services to help students with disabilities overcome transportation or other access barriers) to eligible students. For more information, contact Larry Oxendine, Office of Higher Education Programs, Dept. of Education, 1990 K Street N.W., Room 7000, Washington, DC 20006. Tel: 202.502.7600. Fax: 202.502.7857. E-Mail: larry.oxendine@ed.gov. Web: www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oep/trio/index.html.


DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Office of Community Planning & Development www.hud.gov/offices/cpd

Homeless Assistance Programs
FY 2005 Investment: \$1.3 billion
Investment Style: C
Rating: 

Through programs authorized by the McKinney-Vento Act, HUD helps local governments and private nonprofits provide housing and supportive services to homeless persons. Transportation is among the services many of these local housing providers seek to furnish for their residents. Most McKinney Act funds are awarded by formula to states and localities, but some are available for competitive grants from HUD's headquarters offices. For information, contact the appropriate local housing agency, or John Garrity, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7262, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.708.4300. Fax: 202.708.3617. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/index.cfm.

Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS
FY 2005 Investment: \$284.0 million
Investment Style: C
Rating: 


The Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA) provides grants for housing and supportive services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Grants may be used to provide transportation services to assist clients in accessing health care and other services. Most of this program's funding is awarded on a formula basis to state and city governments, who then may contract with local providers of transportation and other services. For information, contact: David Vos, Director, Office of HIV/AIDS Housing, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7212, Washington, DC 20410; Tel: 202.708.1827. Fax: 202.401.0805. E-mail: david_vos@hud.gov. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/aidshousing/index.cfm.

Rural Housing and Economic Development Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$24.0 million
Investment Style: B
Rating: 


This program provides technical assistance and capacity building funds to private non-profits, housing finance agencies, community development corporations, and tribal, state and local community or economic development agencies to help develop and carry out innovative housing and community development strategies. To the extent that transportation plans and programs fit into such strategies, they can be supported through these grants. Funds are awarded every year on a competitive basis. For more information, contact Jackie Mitchell, Rural Housing and Economic Development Division Director, Office of Economic Development, HUD,

451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7136, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.708.2290, ext. 4664. Fax: 202.708.7543. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/rhed/index.cfm.

Office of Housing www.hud.gov/offices/hsg


Supportive Housing for the Elderly
FY 2005 Investment: \$747 million
Investment Style: C
Rating: 

This program, commonly called "Section 202," helps private nonprofit entities provide housing and necessary supportive services for low-income seniors. Transportation is among the supportive services that may be funded through this program. Since 2002, \$50.0 million of this program's funds are allocated to support the activities of service coordinators, whose purpose is to link supportive housing residents with their needed medical and support services, including transportation. Section 202 funds are awarded to local nonprofit housing providers by HUD field offices. For information, contact the appropriate field office, or Willie Spearmon, Director of Housing Assistance and Grant Administration, Office of Multifamily Housing Programs, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 6134, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.708.3000. Fax: 202.708.3104. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/hsgmulti.cfm.

Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities
FY 2005 Investment: \$240.0 million
Investment Style: C
Rating: 

This program, commonly called "Section 811," helps private nonprofit entities provide housing and necessary supportive services for low-income persons with disabilities. Transportation is among the supportive services that may be funded through this program. Funds are awarded to local nonprofit housing providers by HUD field offices. For information, contact the appropriate field office, or Willie Spearmon, Director of Housing Assistance and Grant Administration, Office of Multifamily Housing Programs, HUD, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 6134, Washington, DC 20410. Tel: 202.708.3000. Fax: 202.708.3104. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/hsgmulti.cfm

Office of Public and Indian Housing www.hud.gov/offices/pih

Indian Housing Block Grants
FY 2005 Investment: \$627.0 million
Investment Style: D
Rating: 

Authorized by the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA), this is a program of formula-based grants to tribal governments and their designated housing enterprises for housing development, housing assistance, and a variety of services needed by residents of tribal housing services. Transportation facilities and

services designed for these persons are eligible for funding under this program. For more information, contact Deborah Lalancette, Director of Grants Management, Office of Native American Programs, HUD, 1999 Broadway, Suite 3390, Denver, CO 80202. Tel: 303.675.1600. Fax: 303.675.1660. Web: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/index.cfm.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE


www.usdoj.gov

Office of Justice Programs www.ojp.usdoj.gov

Crime Victim Assistance and Compensation

FY 2005 Investment: \$616.0 million

Investment Style: F


Rating: 

States receive most of this funding from the Justice Dept.'s Office for Victims of Crime to help provide services for crime victims. This support can include short-term transportation assistance, along with temporary housing, child care, security measures and other supportive services. For more information, contact your local courts or prosecutors' offices, administering state agency, or Carol Watkins, Director, State Compensation and Assistance Division, Office for Victims of Crime, Department of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20531. Tel: 202.616.3586. Fax: 202.514.6383. Web: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/.

Weed and Seed

FY 2005 Investment: \$62.0 million

Investment Style: D

Rating: 

This program seeks to combat violent crime through a multi-faceted approach of crime prevention and community improvement strategies, including the improvement of facilities and services (such as those related to transportation) in high-crime areas. Much of Weed and Seed's activity is the provision of training and technical assistance to areas seeking to implement these strategies. In addition, the program funds local efforts being carried out by coalitions of community groups and local governments, in partnership with their U.S. Attorneys' offices. For more information, contact your local United States Attorney's office, or Bob Samuels, Acting Director, Executive Office for Weed and Seed, Dept. of Justice, 810 Seventh Street, N.W., Room 6224, Washington, DC 20531. Tel: 202.616.1152. Fax: 202.616.1159. E-mail: samuels@ojp.usdoj.gov. Web: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/eows.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR


www.dol.gov

Veterans' Employment and Training Service www.dol.gov/vets

Veterans' Employment and Training Assistance

FY 2005 Investment: \$224.6 million

Investment Style: C

Rating: 

The Labor Department's Veterans' Employment and Training Service addresses the specific needs of veterans, including veterans with disabilities, as they transition from military service to non-military employment. Working through state and local workforce agencies, veterans groups, and One-Stop centers a variety of job search, training, transitional assistance and necessary supportive services, occasionally including transportation, are provided to veterans, with particular emphasis paid to addressing the needs of veterans with disabilities and homeless veterans. For more information, contact Frederico Juarbe, Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Dept. of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Room S-1316, Washington, DC 20210. Tel: 202.693.4707. Fax: 202.693.4755. Web: www.dol.gov/vets/welcome.html

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS


www.va.gov

Veterans Health Administration www.va.gov/health

Veterans Medical Care

Estimated FY 2005 Benefits and Expenses: \$30.3 billion

Investment Style: F

Rating: 

Veterans are eligible for a wide range of hospital-based and outpatient medical services. The Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) will reimburse eligible veterans for some transportation to covered medical care. In addition to reimbursing individual veterans for their transportation, some VA Medical Centers work with volunteer networks to provide transportation for veterans seeking health care; there occasionally are opportunities for transportation providers to contract directly with VA Medical Centers for some services. The VA also has specific funding opportunities for organizations serving homeless veterans. For more information, contact individual VA Medical Centers, other VA facilities, or Dr. Robert Roswell, Undersecretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Room 934, Washington, DC 20420. Tel: 202.273.5781. Web: www.va.gov/health/index.htm.

GENERAL FEDERAL INVESTMENT WEB SITES

Federal Register

Search for updates and notices affecting federal assistance programs.

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html

Grants Management Web Site

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) establishes government-wide grants management policies and guidelines.
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/index.html> <<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/index.html>>

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

Primary source of information on federal grants and non-financial assistance programs, although actual funding depends upon annual budget appropriations.
<http://www.cfda.gov> <<http://www.cfda.gov>>

Today's Federal Register

A daily listing of federal funding opportunities published in the Federal Register
<http://www.tgci.com/resources/federal/ffed.html>

House of Representatives Grant Information Site

The listed sites are recommended sources of information for researching grants, procurement, and other resources on the Internet.
http://www.house.gov/ffr/Grants_Other.htm#alerts

Links to Federal Government grant programs by subject

<http://www.cfda.gov> <<http://www.cfda.gov/>>

Executive Agency Grant Web Sites

US Department of Agriculture

<http://ocd.usda.gov/nofa.htm>

US Department of Commerce

<http://www.doc.gov/Assistance/Grants/>

Small Business Administration

<http://www.sba.gov/nonprofit/>

US Department of Education

<http://www.ed.gov/topics/topics.jsp?&top=Grants+%26+Contracts> <<http://www.ed.gov/topics/topics.jsp?&top=Grants+%26+Contracts>>

US Department of Energy

<http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>

US Department of Health and Human Services

<http://www.hhs.gov/agencies/grants.html>

National Institutes of Health

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/>

US Department of Housing and Urban Development

<http://www.hud.gov/grants/index.cfm>

US Department of Interior

<http://www.doi.gov/non-profit/fax.html>

US Department of Justice

<http://www.usdoj.gov/10grants/index.html>

FEMA US Fire Administration

<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/assist/>

US Department of Labor

<http://www.dol.gov/oasam/grants/prgms.htm>

The State Department

Offers grants through USAID. USAID is the principal US agency to extend assistance to countries recovering from disaster, trying to escape poverty, and engaging in democratic reforms.
http://www.usaid.gov/procurement_bus_opp/
 <http://www.usaid.gov/procurement_bus_opp/>

US Department of Transportation

<http://www.dot.gov/ost/m6o/grant/>

US Department of Veterans Affairs

<http://www.va.gov/index.htm>

Environmental Protection Agency

<http://www.epa.gov/epahome/grants.htm>

Office of Homeland Defense

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/homeland/>

National Science Foundation

<http://nsf.gov/home/programs/guide.htm>

National Endowment for the Arts

<http://www.nea.gov/guide/>

National Endowment for the Humanities

<http://neh.gov/grants/index.html>

Non-Federal Grant Resources

On-line newsletter that provides updates on corporations, foundations, individuals and new research tools
<http://www.internet-prospect.org>

Lists foundations that are not often found elsewhere
<http://www.guidestar.org>

Web site with loads of information on new grants, announcements of grants, and individual donations
<http://www.philanthropy.com>

Links to many fundraising periodicals, affinity groups and funders who focus on specific populations, lists of conferences
<http://www.cof.org>

Organizes funding Web sites by foundation, individual and corporate prospects. Site also has a section on planned giving, development research, and provides handouts for fundraising topics and grant research
<http://www.usc.edu/dept/source/>

For free office supplies
<http://www.giftsinkind.org>

List of grant source Web sites by field of interest
<http://www.fundsnetsservices.com>

Explains how to set up on-line donations
<http://www.egrants.org>